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Current Position Postdoctoral Researcher

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EDUCATION

09/2017 – 06/2025 University of California, San Diego (USA)

PhD Program PhD in Cognitive Science

(Advisor: Dr. Federico Rossano)

10/2015 – 08/2017 University of Innsbruck, Innsbruck (Austria)

Master Studies Degree: Master of Science in Psychology

10/2011 – 08/2015 University of Innsbruck, Innsbruck (Austria)

Bachelor Studies Degree: Bachelor of Science in Psychology

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

03/2021 – present Born Free USA Primate Sanctuary

Guest Researcher Texas, USA

Old-world Monkey Sanctuary

01/2019 – 03/2019 Tchimpounga Chimpanzee Sanctuary

Guest Researcher Republic of Congo

Chimpanzee Sanctuary

02/2018 – 11/2018 Gibbon Conservation Center

Guest Researcher Santa Clarita, USA

Gibbon Conservation Center

10/2016 – 04/2017 Leipzig Research Center for Early Child

Research Assistant Development

Leipzig, Germany

Research Group: Daniel Haun

08/2016 – 09/2016 Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary

Guest Researcher Anthropology

Leipzig, Germany

Wolfgang Köhler Primate Research Center

03/2016 – 06/2016 Chimfunshi Wildlife Orphanage

Research Assistant Zambia

Chimpanzee Sanctuary

10/2014 – 08/2015 Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary

Research Assistant Anthropology

Leipzig, Germany

Department: Developmental and Comparative Psychology,

Michael Tomasello

10/2012 – 09/2013 University of Innsbruck

Research Assistant Innsbruck, Austria

Department: Social Psychology, Tobias Greitemeyer

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

09/2021 CARTA Fellowship (20,000\$)

Center for Academic Research & Training in Anthropogeny

04/2021 Friend of the International Center Scholarship (2,000\$)

Friends of the International Center, UCSD

09/2020 Annette Merle-Smith Fellowship (20,000\$)

Center for Academic Research & Training in Anthropogeny

03/2020 Ruth Newmark Scholarship (2,000\$)

Friends of the International Center, UCSD

09/2019 CARTA Fellowship (20,000\$)

Center for Academic Research & Training in Anthropogeny

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

08/2023 IPS/MPS Kuching (Malaysia)

Talk: The Influence of Life History on Pathogen Avoidance Behavior in Sanctuary-living Macaques (Macaca spp.)

07/2023 Diverse Intelligences Summit (UK)

Talk: Intergroup Variation in Behavior in a Transplanted Population of Japanese Macaques (Macaca fuscata)

04/2023 Mechanisms of Learning Forum (UK)

Poster: The Influence of Life History on Pathogen Avoidance

Behavior in Sanctuary-living Macaques (Macaca spp.)

01/2021 IPS/SLAPrim Quito (Ecuador)

Talk: Chimpanzees (Pan troglodytes) flexibly manipulate the pathway of food rewards to maximize their own payoff in a social

scenario

03/2017 ICPS Vienna (Austria)

Talk: Situation-dependent strategies to obtain food from conspecifics in zoo-living Sumatran orangutans (Pongo abelii)

08/2016 IPS/ASP Chicago (USA)

Talk: Situation-dependent strategies to obtain food from conspecifics in zoo-living Sumatran orangutans (Pongo abelii)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor

2025 Spring COGS 143: Animal Cognition (50 Students)

2025 Winter COGS 13: Field Methods: Cognition in the Wild (409 Students) COGS 13: Field Methods: Cognition in the Wild (414 Students)

Teaching Assistant

2024 Winter COGS 13: Field Methods: Cognition in the Wild 2023 Fall COGS 100: Cyborgs Now and in the Future 2023 Spring COGS 13: Field Methods: Cognition in the Wild 2022 Fall COGS 100: Cyborgs Now and in the Future

2022 Spring COGS 142: Animal Communication 2021 Fall COGS 102A: Cognitive Perspectives COGS 142: Animal Communication

2021 Winter COGS 144: Social Cognition
2020 Winter COGS 143: Animal Cognition
2019 Fall COGS 144: Social Cognition

2019 Spring COGS 13: Field Methods: Cognition in the Wild 2018 Fall COGS 110/HDP 121: The Developing Mind

2018 Summer COGS 102A: Distributed Cognition

2018 Spring COGS 13: Field Methods: Cognition in the Wild

2018 Winter COGS 144: Social Cognition

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2018 – 2024 Anthropogeny Graduate Specialization, San Diego (USA)

CARTA: Center for Academic Research & Training in

Anthropogeny

2023 DISI Fellow & Alumni, St. Andrews (UK)

Diverse Intelligences Summer Institute

ACADEMIC SERVICES

2024 Reviewer, International Journal of Computer Vision

Reviewer, NeurIPS Datasets and Benchmarks Tracks

38th Annual Conference on Neural Information

Processing Systems

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- **Kaufhold, S.P.***, Borzello, M.*, Rossano, K., & Kirsh, D. (in preparation). Beyond the Lab: Cognitive Neuroscience in Real-World Contexts.
- **Kaufhold, S.P.**, Goguen, A., Viano, K., & Rossano, F. (submitted). Pathogen sensitivity in macaques: The role of early life experiences and disease exposure.
- Ma, X.*, Lin, Y.*, Xu, Y., **Kaufhold, S.P.**, Terwilliger, J., Meza, A., Zhu, Y., Rossano, F., & Wang, Y. (under review). AlphaChimp: Tracking and Behavior Recognition in Chimpanzees.
- Kaufhold, S.P.*, Terwilliger, J.*, & Rossano, F. (2025). Socially Situated Navigation: Social Rank and Sex Influence Spatial Navigation Strategies in Japanese Macaques. *Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society*, 47.
- Kaufhold, S.P., Sánchez-Amaro, A., Tan, J., & Rossano, F. (2024). Chimpanzees (*Pan troglodytes*) strategically manipulate their environment to deny conspecifics access to food. *Scientific Reports* 14(1), 17579.
- Ma, X.*, Kaufhold, S.P.*, Su, J.*, Zhu, W., Terwilliger, F., Meza, A., Zhu, Y., Rossano, F., & Wang, Y. (2023). ChimpACT: A longitudinal dataset for understanding chimpanzee behaviors. *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems*, 36, 27501-27531.
- van Leeuwen, E. J. C., DeTroy, S. E., **Kaufhold, S. P.**, Dubois, C., Schütte, S., Call, J., & Haun, D. B. M. (2021). Group identity predicts prosociality in chimpanzees. *Science Advances*, 7(9), eabc7982.
- Sánchez-Amaro, A., Tan, J., **Kaufhold, S. P.**, & Rossano, F. (2021). How environmental unpredictability and harshness affect chimpanzees in risk-choice and temporal-discounting tasks. *Journal of Comparative Psychology*.
- Rossano, F.* & **Kaufhold, S. P.*** (2021). Introduction to Animal Communication. In Call, J., Kaufman A. & Kaufman J. (eds.) *Handbook of Animal Cognition*. Cambridge University Press.
- Kaufhold, S. P., & Rossano, F. (2020). Proximate mechanisms and the interdependence of food transfer interactions in socially housed orangutans (*Pongo abelii*). *Animal behavior*, 167, 243-253.
- Sánchez-Amaro, A., Tan, J., **Kaufhold, S. P.**, & Rossano, F. (2020). Gibbons exploit information about what a competitor can see. *Animal cognition*, *23*(2) 289-299.
- **Kaufhold, S. P.***, & van Leeuwen, E. J. C.* (2019). Why intergroup variation matters for understanding behaviour. *Biology letters*, *15*(11), 20190695.

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